

## 1 x 2, 1 x 4, and 1 x 8 DVI Splitters

Broadcast the same video plus audio signal source to two, four, or eight DVI compatible outputs.

Support DVI display resolutions of up to Full HD (1920 x 1080), WUXGA (1920 x 1200), and UXGA (1600 x 1200).

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- 16. El cable de corriente deberá ser desconectado del cuando el equipo no sea usado por un largo periodo de tiempo.

- 17. Cuidado debe ser tomado de tal manera que objectos liquidos no sean derramados sobre la cubierta u orificios de ventilación.
- 18. Servicio por personal calificado deberá ser provisto cuando:
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  - B: Objectos han caído o líquido ha sido derramado dentro del aparato; o
  - C: El aparato ha sido expuesto a la lluvia; o
  - D: El aparato parece no operar normalmente o muestra un cambio en su desempeño; o
  - E: El aparato ha sido tirado o su cubierta ha sido dañada.

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# 1. Specifications

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Cable Length (Max.) — 32.8 ft. (10 m)
Enclosure — Metal
Max. Video Resolution/Signal Type — Full HD 1080p (1920 x 1080)/VGA
   (640 x 480)/SXGA (1280 x 1024)/UXGA (1600 x 1200)/WUXGA (1920 x 1200)
Number of Video Outputs — AVSP-DVI1X2: 2;
   AVSP-DVI1X4: 4;
   AVSP-DVI1X8: 8
Rackmountable (optional) — AVSP-DVI1X2: N/A;
   AVSP-DVI1X4: Yes:
   AVSP-DVI1X8: Yes
Connectors — AVSP-DVI1X2: Input: (1) DVI female, (1) set of audio jacks,
      Output: (2) DVI female, (2) 3.5-mm audio output:
   AVSP-DVI1X4: Input: (1) DVI female, (1) set of audio jacks,
      Output: (4) DVI female. (4) 3.5-mm audio output:
   AVSP-DVI1X8: Input: (1) DVI female. (1) set of audio iacks.
      Output: (8) DVI female, (8) 3.5-mm audio output
Indicators — AVSP-DVI1X2: (3) LEDs: (1) dual-color LED: Power active, Video OK,
      (2) Video output LEDs;
   AVSP-DVI1X4: (5) LEDs: (1) dual-color LED: Power active. Video OK.
      (4) Video output LEDs;
   AVSP-DVI1X8: (9) LEDs: (1) dual-color LED: Power active, Video OK,
      (8) Video output LEDs
Power — Operating Voltage: 9 VAC (accepts 9–12 VDC):
   Consumption (Max.) — AVSP-DVI1X2: 2.8 W;
      AVSP-DVI1X4: 4.1 W:
      AVSP-DVI1X8: 10.2 W
Size — AVSP-DVI1X2: 0.8"H X 7.1"W x 3.4"D (2 x 18 x 8.5 cm):
   AVSP-DVI1X4: 1.7"H x 8.7"W x 5.3"D (4.4 x 22 x 13.5 cm):
   AVSP-DVI1X8: 1.7"H x 17.2"W x 7.1"D (4.4 x 43.8 x 18 cm)
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# Chapter 2: Overview

#### 2. Overview

#### 2.1 Introduction

The DVI Splitters broadcast the same video with audio signals from one video (and audio) signal source to two, four, or eight DVI compatible ports. To expand the broadcast significantly, you can cascade several splitters together.

Depending on the length and cable quality, this fully HDCP-compliant splitter supports DVI display resolutions of up to Full HD (1920 x 1080)/WUXGA (1920 x 1200)/UXGA (1600 x 1200), and is also Blu-ray ready. You don't need to install software or interface cards. Just connect the cables, power up the system and it will duplicate video images for multiple monitors with excellent clarity. The 4- and 8-port splitters can also be rackmounted.

Use the spitters for presentations, exhibits, demonstrations, trade shows, monitor testing and burn-in, business meetings, news, stock tickers, airline/train/bus schedules, and retail stores.

#### 2.2 Features

- Duplicates one video input to multiple DVI outputs.
- Saves power when signal input is lost.
- You can cascade operation for increased signal outputs.
- Provides crisp, clear, video images.
- Supports EDID, HDCP, and is Blu-ray ready for high definition display.
- Supports DVI display resolutions of up to UXGA (1600 x 1200), WUXGA (1920 x 1200), and Full HD 1080p (1920 x 1080).
- Rackmountable (AVSP-DVI1X4 and AVSP-DVI1X8 models only).
- LED indicators for signal activity monitoring
- Accurately and reliably reproduces digital video signals without attenuation and distortion.
- Installs in seconds.

#### 2.3 What's Included

Your package should include the following items. If anything is missing or damaged, contact Black Box Technical Support at 724-746-5500 or info@blackbox.com.

- (1) 2-, 4-, or 8-Port Video + Audio Splitter
- (1) power adapter with AC cord or (1) plug-in power adapter
- (1) user's manual
- (1) set of foot pads
- (1) set of rackmount brackets (AVSP-DVI1X8 only)

## 2.4 Optional Items You Might Need

- (1) set of rackmount brackets (for AVSP-DVI1X4)
- (1) 6-ft. (1.8-m) male to male HDMI to DVI cable
- (1) 6-ft. (1.8-m) male to male DVI Cable for DVI source connection
- Audio Cables
- DVI-to-HDMI Adapter
- HDMI-to-DVI Adapter

# 2.5 Hardware Requirements

- Video sources (ex. PS3, Blu-ray, DVD players, etc.), with DVI-D, and audio output
- DVI cables
- HDCP-complaint display devices (ex. TVs, monitors, projectors, etc.) for the HDCP video source (optional)
- · Speakers for audio

# 2.6 Hardware Description

#### 2.6.1 AVSP-DVI1X2

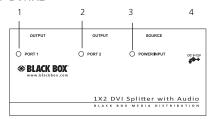


Figure 2-1. AVSP-DVI1X2 top panel.

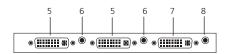


Figure 2-2. AVSP-DVI1X2 back panel.

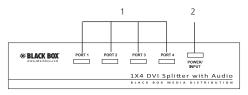
Number	Component	Description
1	Port 1 LED	Lights when there is activity on Port 1.
2	Port 2 LED	Lights when there is activity on Port 2.
3	Power input LED	Lights when power is connected.
4	Power connector	Connects to AC power source.
5	(2) DVI connectors	Link to output monitors
6	(2) audio connectors	Connect to audio output.
7	DVI connector	Connects to input source.

Table 2-1. AVSP-DVI1X2 components.

## 2.6.2 AVSP-DVI1X4

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(1) audio connector



Connects to audio input.

Figure 2-3. AVSP-DVI1X4 front panel.

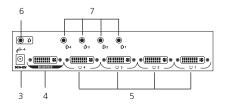


Figure 2-4. AVSP-DVI1X4 back panel.

Table 2-2. AVSP-DVI1X4 components.

Number	Component	Description
1	Ports 1–4 LEDs	Light when there is activity on Ports 1–4.
2	Power input LED	Lights when power is connected.
3	Power connector	Connects to AC power source.
4	DVI connector	Connects to input source.
5	(4) DVI connectors	Link to output monitors.
6	Audio connector	Connects to audio input.
7	(4) audio connectors	Connect to audio outputs.

## 2.6.3 AVSP-DVI1X8

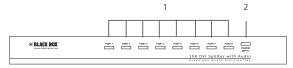


Figure 2-5. AVSP-DVI1X8 front panel.

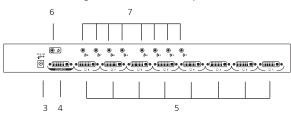


Figure 2-6. AVSP-DVI1X8 back panel.

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Table 2-3. AVSP-DVI1X8 components.

Number	Component	Description
1	Ports 1–8 LEDs	Light when there is activity on Ports 1–8.
2	Power input LED	Lights when power is connected.
3	Power connector	Connects to AC power source.
4	DVI connector	Connects to input source.
5	(8) DVI connectors	Link to output monitors.
6	Audio connector	Connects to audio input.
7	(8) audio connectors	Connect to audio outputs.

#### 3 Installation

WARNING: Before installation, power off all devices that will be connected to this system.

- Make sure that all devices you will connect are properly grounded.
- Place cables away from fluorescent lights, air conditioners, and machines that are likely to generate electrical noise.

Use one DVI male-to-male cable to connect a video source to the video splitter Input (SOURCE). Connect multiple monitors or TVs to the video splitter's output ports.

Plug a set of audio jacks from the speaker to the splitter's audio port.

Use a DVI-to-HDMI adapter that combines digital video (DVI) and digital audio into HDMI to seamlessly integrate into your computer systems or modern home theater. Simply connect the optional DVI-to-HDMI adapter(s) to the output side of the splitter, and then connect the HDMI display or projector to the HDMI output of the DVI-to-HDMI adapter.

The adapter will convert the digital audio onto the digital video signal to generate the HDMI signal.

Turn on your video source only after you've made all the connections.

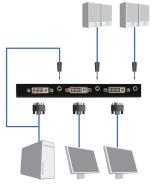


Figure 3-1. AVSP-DVI1X2 connection.

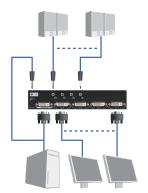


Figure 3-2. AVSP-DVI1X4 connection.

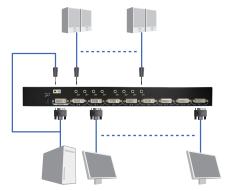


Figure 3-3. AVSP-DVI1X8 connection.

NOTE: Connect at least one monitor to the splitter before powering on the source device.

NOTE: Connect the splitter to the computer before powering on the computer.

NOTE: Use an HDCP-compliant display to connect the splitter to the HDCP video source.

NOTE: Each output port on the unit is required to apply the same connection pattern whenever a DVI-to-HDMI (or HDMI-to-DVI) adapter is used for HDMI (or DVI) signal conversion between the unit and the HDMI (or DVI) display. Mixed (HDMI and DVI) output connections may cause signal degradation. Signal degradation, harmful interference, or equipment malfunction are less likely to occur if absolute connection consistency is used.



Figure 3-4. Do NOT use the mixed connection pattern shown in this diagram.

## Blu-ray Ready

The splitter supports high-definition video such as DVD or Blu-ray and multichannel audio, and carries the best signal from the source to displays; the high bandwidth enables transmission of large amounts of information at a very high rate of speed.

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Blu-ray uses a blue-violet laser to read and write data, while current optical disc technologies such as DVD, DVD±R, DVD±RW, and DVDRAM rely on a red laser to read and write data. Blu-ray uses a blue-violet laser (405 nm) that it has a shorter wavelength than a red laser (650 nm), which makes it possible to focus the laser spot with even greater precision. This enables data to be packed more tightly and stored in less space, so it's possible to fit more data on the disc even though it's the same size as a CD/DVD.

# 4. Operation

The quality of the output signal depends largely upon the quality of the video source, cable, and display device used. Low-quality cables degrade the output signal causing elevated noise levels. Use the proper cable and make sure the display device is capable of handling the resolution and refresh rate selected. Interference from nearby electrical devices can adversely affect signal quality.

Number	Color	Description
1	Green	Power on LED
	Blue	Video signal OK LED
2	Yellow	Video output signal LEDs

Table 4-1. LED display.

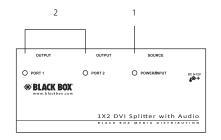


Figure 4-1. AVSP-DVI1X2.

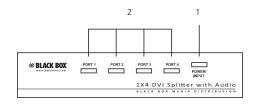


Figure 4-2. AVSP-DVI1X4.

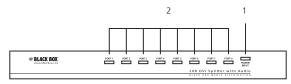


Figure 4-3. AVSP-DVI1X8.

NOTE: Connect at least one display device to the splitter before you power on the source unit.

# Appendix. Troubleshooting

# A.1 Symptoms, Possible Causes, and Solutions

Symptom: Video does not display on some ports.

Possible Cause: DVI specification of the source devices doesn't match the DVI

specification of DVI cable and/or the DVI display device.

**Solution #1:** There are three DVI standards: DVI-I, DVI-D, and DVI-A. Make sure that DVI specifications of the source devices, cables, and monitors all match.

NOTE: Some monitors can support multiple DVI signals.

**Solution #2:** Make sure the splitter was connected to the source computer before powering on the computer.

Symptom: Erratic behavior

Possible Cause: The splitter might not receive enough power.

**Possible Solution:** Make sure the power adapter attached to the splitter matches

the system specifications, and that it is functioning properly.

**Symptom:** Not receiving picture or sound.

Possible Cause #1: Wrong installation process.

Solution #1: The video splitter requires at least one monitor connection before

powering on the source device.

**Possible Cause #2:** The signal source may require a display device that is HDCP compliant.

**Solution #2:** Check if the display monitor is HDCP compliant. HDCP prevents the transfer of digital content to unauthorized HDMI devices.

**Possible Cause #3:** The display monitor is added to the unit by hot-plug, but the video source may not support hot-plug.

**Solution #3:** Check if the video source supports hot-plug. If it doesn't, shut down the source device and reboot it again.

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Possible Cause #4: The attached devices are not well connected.

Solution #4: Make sure you connected your components correctly.

## A.2 Contacting Black Box

If you determine that your splitter is malfunctioning, do not attempt to alter or repair the unit. It contains no user-serviceable parts. Contact Black Box Technical Support at 724-746-5500 or info@blackbox.com.

Before you do, make a record of the history of the problem. We will be able to provide more efficient and accurate assistance if you have a complete description, including:

- the nature and duration of the problem.
- when the problem occurs.
- the components involved in the problem.
- any particular application that, when used, appears to create the problem or make it worse.

## A.3 Shipping and Packaging

If you need to transport or ship your splitter:

- Package it carefully. We recommend that you use the original container.
- If you are returning the unit, make sure you include everything you received with it. Before you ship for return or repair, contact Black Box to get a Return Authorization (RA) number.

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